



PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Chidambaram Raghavan et al.  
Application No. : 10/676,843  
Filed : October 1, 2003  
For : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING A STATIC SEAL  
OF A HIGH PRESSURE PUMP

Examiner : Michael Koczo, Jr.  
Art Unit : 3746  
Docket No. : 340058.556  
Date : June 18, 2007

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

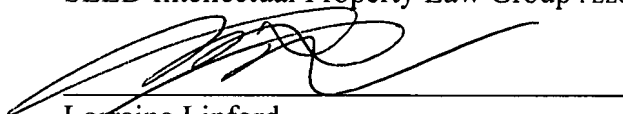
Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 16, 2007, please extend the period of time for response two (2) months, to expire on June 18, 2007. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Species 1, directed to Figure 5. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10-14, 17-24, 27 and 32 are readable on the elected species. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested. If questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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